

Data Protection Policy

Deal & Walmer Chamber of Trade for Documentation

Note about this policy template: Lots of template policies are unhelpfully long and simply reiterate large portions of the legislation. This template is different: it aims to provide a concise and practical document that can be used by trustees of small charities as the foundation for a working Data Protection Policy. If you have any doubt about your legal obligations you should always check with a lawyer.

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Definitions

Chamber	means Deal & Walmer Chamber of Trade
GDPR	means the General Data Protection Regulation.
Responsible Person	means Peter Davies, Chamber Secretary
Register of Systems	means a register of all systems or contexts in which personal data is processed by the Chamber.

1. Data protection principles

The Chamber is committed to processing data in accordance with its responsibilities under the GDPR.

Article 5 of the GDPR requires that personal data shall be:

- processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner in relation to individuals;
- collected for specified, explicit and legitimate purposes and not further processed in a manner that is incompatible with those purposes; further processing for archiving purposes in the public interest, scientific or historical research purposes or statistical purposes shall not be considered to be incompatible with the initial purposes;
- adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary in relation to the purposes for which they are processed;
- accurate and, where necessary, kept up to date; every reasonable step must be taken to ensure that personal data that are inaccurate, having regard to the purposes for which they are processed, are erased or rectified without delay;
- kept in a form which permits identification of data subjects for no longer than is necessary for the purposes for which the personal data are processed; personal data may be stored for longer periods insofar as the personal data will be processed solely for archiving purposes in the public interest, scientific or historical research purposes or statistical purposes subject to implementation of the appropriate technical and organisational measures required by the GDPR in order to safeguard the rights and freedoms of individuals; and
- processed in a manner that ensures appropriate security of the personal data, including protection against unauthorised or unlawful processing and against accidental loss, destruction or damage, using appropriate technical or organisational measures.”

2. General provisions

- This policy applies to all personal data processed by the Chamber.
- The Responsible Person shall take responsibility for the Chamber’s ongoing compliance with this policy.
- This policy shall be reviewed at least annually.

3. Lawful, fair and transparent processing

- To ensure its processing of data is lawful, fair and transparent, the Chamber shall discuss what we do with data at least annually.
- Individuals have the right to access their personal data and any such requests made to the Chamber shall be dealt with in a timely manner.

4. Lawful purposes

- All data processed by the Chamber must be done on one of the following lawful bases: consent, contract, legal obligation, vital interests, public task or legitimate interests ([see ICO guidance for more information](#)).
- Where consent is relied upon as a lawful basis for processing data, evidence of opt-in consent shall be kept with the personal data.
- Where communications are sent to individuals based on their consent, the option for the individual to revoke their consent should be clearly available and systems should be in place to ensure such revocation is reflected accurately in the Chamber's systems.

5. Data minimisation

- The Chamber shall ensure that personal data are adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary in relation to the purposes for which they are processed.

6. Accuracy

- The Chamber shall take reasonable steps to ensure personal data is accurate.
- Where necessary for the lawful basis on which data is processed, steps shall be put in place to ensure that personal data is kept up to date.

7. Archiving / removal

- To ensure that personal data is kept for no longer than necessary, the Chamber shall put in place an archiving policy for each area in which personal data is processed and review this process annually.
- The archiving policy shall consider what data should/must be retained, for how long, and why.

8. Security

- The Chamber shall ensure that personal data is stored securely using modern software that is kept-up-to-date.
- Access to personal data shall be limited to personnel who need access and appropriate security should be in place to avoid unauthorised sharing of information.
- When personal data is deleted this should be done safely such that the data is irrecoverable.
- Appropriate back-up and disaster recovery solutions shall be in place.

9. Breach

In the event of a breach of security leading to the accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, unauthorised disclosure of, or access to, personal data, the Chamber shall promptly assess the risk to people's rights and freedoms and if appropriate report this breach to the ICO ([more information on the ICO website](#)).

Deal & Walmer Chamber of Trade for Website

Website Privacy Statement

This privacy statement discloses the privacy practices for Deal and Walmer Chamber of Trade. It applies solely to this website. We analyse digital records which contain details such as:

- IP addresses
- Web pages viewed while on the Chambers website
- Web browser used
- Type of digital device accessing the website

Where users provide us with information, that information is treated in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998.

Forms

Any information submitted through forms on this website is transferred to us by email and will be dealt with by us in accordance with data protection legislation. Emails are not encrypted before being sent to us and as the internet is not always totally secure, users are sending the information at their own risk.

Notification of changes

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Data Retention Policy

This website operates with a data-retention policy in order to comply with the Privacy Enhancing Technology guidance from the Information Commissioner. This means that data has predefined time limits for storage and is only retained by the system for as long as it is considered useful.

Analytics

Like most websites, we make use of analytics software in order to help us understand the trends in popularity of our website. We make no use of personally identifiable information in any of the statistical reports we use from this package.

We use an analytics package called Google Analytics who provide separate details in the Google privacy policy.

To opt out of being tracked by Google Analytics across all websites visit <http://tools.google.com/dlpage/gaoptout>.

Server Statistics

Again, like most websites we have access to server statistics which provide aggregated statistics on bandwidth and server load. This load data is used to manage bandwidth effectively.

The server statistics are not designed to collect any individually identifiable information and the reports we receive are generally numerical and in graph format.

Alongside the server statistics, we collect information on: popular search terms used on the website, which we have access to in order to arrange our pages better; visitor path information, which we will use for future design considerations; and file download popularity (numerical by month), which we use to determine popular and out-dated documents.

Virus Protection

It is recommended that you run an anti-virus and a firewall program. We cannot accept any responsibility for any loss, disruption or damage to your data or your computer system which occurs while using material derived from this website.

Availability

We cannot guarantee uninterrupted access to this website or the sites to which it links. We accept no responsibility for any damages arising from the loss of use of this information.

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